AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): An external antenna which performs transmission/receiving with a non-contact type memory diagonally placed within a case in such a manner that a loop antenna of the non-contact type memory is ~~in~~ adjacent to neighboring two surfaces of the case, the external antenna comprising a loop antenna having a route ~~in~~ adjacent to said two surfaces.

2. (currently amended): The external antenna according to Claim 1, wherein said external antenna possesses tip portions~~tips portion in~~ adjacent to the neighboring two surfaces of the case.

3. (currently amended): The external antenna according to Claim 1, wherein said external~~the~~ antenna ~~in~~ adjacent to said two surfaces is a part of a substantially L-shaped loop antenna.[[.]]

4. (currently amended): The external antenna according to Claim 1, wherein three portions of the loop antenna of the non-contact type memory are provided so as to be ~~in~~ adjacent to three surfaces of the case, and said external antenna comprises a substantially L-shaped loop

antenna with a side~~one~~ portion which~~of the L-shaped loop antenna~~ is in a substantially straight shape, so that the substantially L-shaped loop antenna is ~~to be in~~ adjacent to the~~these~~ three surfaces~~surface~~.

5. (original): The external antenna according to Claim 3, wherein said route comprises tips of the L-shape.

6. (original): The external antenna according to Claim 3, which is produced by deforming one loop antenna into an L-shape.

7. (currently amended): The external antenna according to Claim 2~~1~~, which is largely formed so that the tip portions of said external antenna are far from each other.

8. (currently amended): A communication process for communicating an external antenna comprising at least two portions with a non-contact type memory diagonally placed within a case in such a manner that a loop antenna is ~~in~~ adjacent to neighboring two surfaces of the case, wherein data communication is performed by placing the external antenna so that the at least two portions of the external antenna are ~~in~~ adjacent to the neighboring~~these~~ two surfaces at the time of communication.